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The Briars
Golf Course Road
Garrison, Md.
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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

THE BRIARS

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

311 Golf Course Road

Second

CITY, TOWN

Garrison

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21055

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

___STRUCTURE

___SITE

___OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

___BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___IN PROCESS

___BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

___UNOCCUPIED

___WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

___YES: RESTRICTED

___YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

___AGRICULTURE

___COMMERCIAL

___EDUCATIONAL

___ENTERTAINMENT

___GOVERNMENT

___INDUSTRIAL

___MILITARY

___MUSEUM

___PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

___RELIGIOUS

___SCIENTIFIC

___TRANSPORTATION

___OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Blue

Telephone #: 363-0790

STREET & NUMBER

311 Golf Course Road

CITY, TOWN

Garrison

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21055

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County Courts Building

STREET & NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___FEDERAL ___STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

THE BRIARS is an irregularly-shaped two storey house of frame construction finished in stucco. It dates from the first decade of the twentieth century. Its principal facade is to the west and a projecting gable with porte-cochere marks the principal entrance. A second gable projects from the north end of the west facade. Most original windows are double or triple wooden casements, each sash with three horizontal panes. Principal chimneys rise internally at the south gable end and internally at an equal distance north of the projecting entrance gable. A one-storey glazed porch extends across the east facade, a balustrade around its flat roof.

Within the principal entrance is a wide hall; the open staircase has its intermediate landing above the principal entrance; its traditional details are modern replacements of the originals. Wide double doors open to a large living room throughout the depth of the south end of the house, a library is directly east of the central hall and a dining room is north of the central hall. Originally glazed with horizontal lights like the casement windows most of the doors have been replaced with modern paneled doors and the plain original trim has had a modern moulding added as a backband. Original doors remain between the library and the east porch. The living and dining rooms have ceilings with beams expressed, edged with mouldings, all original details. The natural pine paneling of the library is also original with its chamfered stiles and rails applied over vertical boards. The principal rooms have fireplaces.

A small frame PLAYHOUSE is directly behind the dwelling, two bays in depth, its gabled roof projecting forward of its front or west facade forming a porch screened with ornamental lattice-work. Windows have diamond lights described by wooden muntins in their upper sashes with a single light below and they are flanked by louvred blinds.

The small BARN-GARAGE across the lawn northwest of the dwelling is of frame, one and one-half storeys in height. The principal section of the structure is three bays in width; a north wing provides a stable in the lower storey, a hay loft in the upper; a south wing has had its south wall glazed between the original studs with skylights added in the roof, converting it to a greenhouse. A deep pent roof across the principal or east facade shelters a range of double doors opening into the garage, each with perimeter and 'X' stiles and rails over vertical wainscoting in the lower two-thirds of the door, and each having a six-light window above.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE--- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

THE BRIARS is an ample house, designed for entertaining with interior spaces opening for maximum circulation; dating from the first decade of the twentieth century its simplicity of detail reflects the then-current Colonial-revival style, its complexity in mass the picturesque medieval-revivals. The small barn-garage is an original dependency reflecting the suburban setting of the house.

The property known as the Briars was originally part of a tract of 81 acres owned by Joseph and Annette H. Hopkins adjacent to the Chattolane Hotel property. The original house on this site was built by the Hopkins' family as a summer cottage. In the early 1900's the house was rented to Herbert and Rose Wagner. However, while the Wagners were renting, the building was burned down. It was rebuilt, allegedly by Mr. Wagner, who continued to rent the property until he purchased it in 1929. The house which was rebuilt in 1911 is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. William F. Blue who have done extensive remodelling.

DEED SEARCH - Baltimore County Land Records, County Courts Bldg.,
Towson, Md.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Folio</u>	<u>Liber</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>GRANTEE</u>
1878	JB 106	287	Joseph Hopkins	Annette H. Hopkins
1914	Will WJP, 17/481		Annette H. Hopkins to her husband for his lifetime and then to her daughter, Marion H. Hopkins at his death in 1926.	
1929	LMcLM 820	523	Marion H. Hopkins	Herbert & Rose Wagner
1954	GLB 2534	43	Herbert & R. Wagner	J. D. Brown
1954	4353	305	Sibyl Brown	William F. & Kate Blue

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Baltimore County Land Records (BCLR) Baltimore County Courts Building, Towson, Md.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

James T. Wollon, Jr., A.T.A., Katherine Blue, Annette Walsh, Research Historians

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Valleys Planning Council

3-10-80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

212 Washington Avenue

828-7807

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Towson,

Maryland

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The Bowers Loan

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Jan 2/1880

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